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April Egg Production Down 1 Percent

United States egg production totaled 8.21 billion during April 2016, down 1 percent from last year. Production included 7.10 billion table eggs, and 1.11 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.02 billion were broiler-type and 93 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during April 2016 averaged 361 million, down slightly from last year. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,273 eggs, down 1 percent from April 2015.

All layers in the United States on May 1, 2016 totaled 361 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 361 million layers consisted of 302 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.95 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2016, averaged 76.0 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from May 1, 2015.

Egg Production by Type — States and United States: April 2015 and 2016

	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
State	2015	2016	Percent of previous year	2015	2016	Percent of previous year	2015	2016	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	176	175	99	34	38	112	142	137	96
Florida	204	186	91	200	181	91	4	5	125
Georgia	394	399	101	225	225	100	169	174	103
South Carolina	95	100	105	72	77	107	23	23	100
United States	8,294	8,208	99	7,198	7,096	99	1,096	1,112	101

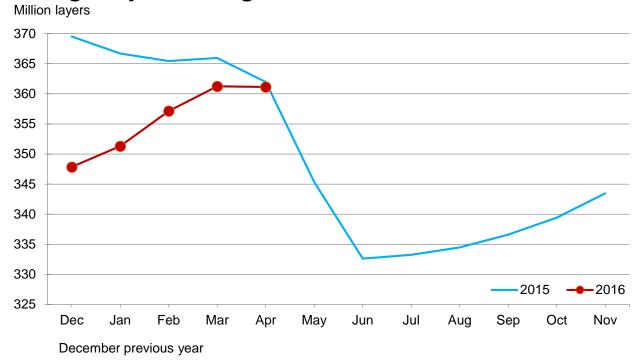
Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Chickens and Eggs, May 2016

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — States and United States: During April 2015 and 2016

State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2015	2016	Percent of previous year	2015	2016	Percent of previous year	2015	2016	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)
Alabama	1,426	1,521	107	9,462	9,237	98	1,860	1,895	102
Florida	8,688	8,167	94	9,052	8,615	95	2,254	2,159	96
Georgia	9,785	9,824	100	18,855	19,110	101	2,090	2,088	100
South Carolina	3,089	3,232	105	4,417	4,537	103	2,151	2,204	102
United States	294,041	292,887	100	361,956	361,128	100	2,291	2,273	99

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Chicken and Eggs Report, May 2016

Average Layers During the Month — United States



All Egg Production During the Month — United States

